



The Flypaper

The Official Newsletter of the Alaska 99s
September 2012



Here we are with Autumn staring us straight in the face! As much as I don't like to admit it, I'm seeing lots of yellow in the trees. However, we have had a few good days for flying. Hope some of you have been able to take advantage of them.

My husband, Herb, and I flew to Kenai on Sunday afternoon. We not only got to take advantage of the beautiful, clear day, but also got to deliver the raffle plane to its new owner--Pat Porter. Pat was surprised to hear from me. I didn't tell her in the first message that she had won the plane, so she was thinking the call had something to do with her official position as Mayor of Kenai. She and her husband, Larry, met us at the Airport and took possession of the plane.

There are some aviation related activities coming up soon. The first is the Celebration of General Aviation hosted by AOPA. It is being held on Monday, September 17, in conjunction with Governor Parnell's declaration of September as General Aviation Month in Alaska. You'll find more information on this activity on page 5.

Also coming up is the Fall Safety Seminar on Saturday, October 13, hosted by Alaskan Aviation Safety Foundation and the FAAst Team. More details appear on page 7.

Tony Turinsky is scheduled to be our speaker at our September meeting on Wednesday, September 12. Hope to see you there!

Melanie

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NEXT MEETING

6 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2012
Peggy's Restaurant (on 5th Avenue
across from Merrill Field)



Program Presented by:
Tony Turinsky

Calendar of Events

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| Wed., Sept. 12 | Regular Monthly Meeting |
| Mon., Sept. 17 | Celebration of General Aviation hosted by AOPA (details on page 5) |
| Mon., Oct. 1 | Alaska Chapter 99s Board Meeting |
| Wed., Oct. 10 | Regular Monthly Meeting |
| Sat., Oct. 13 | Fall Safety Seminar (details on page 7) |
| Mon., Nov. 5 | Alaska Chapter 99s Board Meeting |
| Wed., Nov. 14 | Regular Monthly Meeting |
| Wed., Dec. 12 | Annual Holiday Dinner Party |



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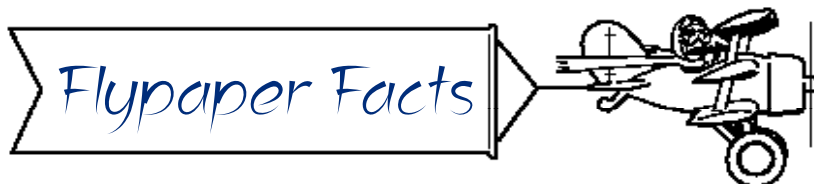
Fly-Ins, Scholarships, Airmarking, Aviation
Museum Display & Publicity Committees need
volunteers.

99s Online

Alaska Chapter Website (www.ak99s.org)

National Website (www.ninety-nines.org)

The national site includes news updates, scholarship opportunities, mentor connections, applications and more.



The deadline for the Oct., 2012 Flypaper is Sept. 30, 2012. If you have an article, ad or information for The Flypaper, please contact Melanie Hancock by phone at 694-4571 or e-mail at flyquilt@mtaonline.net. (Ads are placed in The Flypaper for members at no charge.)

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September Program

Tony Turinsky will be our September speaker.

Tony has lived in Alaska since 1947. He has been an Alaska pilot since 1976 with the bulk of his flying in Cessna 185's and Super Cubs. His flying has been the typical Alaska flying time on wheels, skis, and floats. Tony's flying has taken him to Providania Russia across the Bering Straits, and to Costa Rica across the Gulf of Mexico in a 185. He is the Alaska Director of the 180/185 club. Tony has coached many members with their trip flying to Alaska.

Mat-Su Chapter News



At this time, there is no information available about a meeting for the Mat-Su Chapter. If you wish to inquire about a meeting, contact one of the officers below. The meetings are usually scheduled for the third Tuesday of the month.

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LIGHTSPEED
AVIATION FOUNDATION

Once again, Lightspeed Aviation Foundation is accepting votes for your favorite organization to be the recipient of one of five \$10,000 grants.

The Ninety-Nines is again on the list, so please cast your vote at:

<http://www.lightspeedaviationfoundation.org/content.cfm/Voting/Vote-Now>

NOTAMS

Governor Parnell has declared September General Aviation month.

It's not too late to RSVP (aviationforum@grassrootssupport.net) to Celebrate General Aviation in Alaska on Monday, September 17. US Senator Mark Begich and Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities Commissioner Marc Luiken are confirmed to speak.

Date: Monday, September 17, 2012
Time: 9:30 am (until about 10:15 am)
Location: Signature Flight Support
6231 S. Airpark Place
Anchorage, AK 99502

A buffet breakfast will be available at 9:00 am catered by Dianne's Restaurant.

We hope you will be able to join us. Please feel free to contact me for more information.

Lynn Stone
GAMA Aviation Forum
877-898-2612

Birchwood Airport Has New Runway and New Numbers

For those of you who are flying into or out of Birchwood Airport, the runway work is completed and the painting finished. NOTE: The runway headings have also been updated. They now are 02 and 20, no long 01 and 19. For those of us who have been there a while, it may take some time before it's not necessary to concentrate when making our announcements on take off and landing.



JOIN US!

Celebrating General Aviation in Alaska

The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA), the General Aviation Manufacturers Association (GAMA), the National Business Aviation Association (NBAA), and the National Air Transportation Association (NATA) cordially invite you to join us in *Celebrating General Aviation in Alaska*. This event will feature U.S. Senator Mark Begich, Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities Commissioner Marc Luiken, and industry leaders including Craig Fuller, the President and CEO of AOPA, Pete Bunce, the President and CEO of GAMA, Tom Hendricks, the President and CEO of NATA and Ed Bolen, the President and CEO of NBAA, and be held on Monday, September 17, at Signature Flight Support, 6231 S. Airpark Place, Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport.

The celebration will highlight the importance of General Aviation and its wide variety of uses in The Last Frontier. Federal, state, and local public officials and industry leaders will interact with hundreds of workers, pilots and others who use general aviation in their work and everyday lives. An opportunity for questions and conversation will follow the planned remarks.

Date: Monday, September 17, 2012

Time: 8:45 am – 9:15 am AOPA member meet and greet with Craig Fuller
9:30 am – 10:15 am
(Continental breakfast will be available at 9:00 am)

Location: Signature Flight Support
Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport
6231 S. Airpark Place
Anchorage, AK 99502

RSVP: Please register via email at aviationforum@grassrootssupport.net to receive information about designated parking areas.

Alaska is home to over 8,000 FAA certificated pilots and 734 public and private airports, heliports, and seaplane bases. Alaskans rely on general aviation for everything from medical evacuation, pipeline patrol, firefighting, wildlife surveys and search and rescue. General aviation also supports the oil, mining, construction, fishing and tourism industries.

The general aviation industry contributes more than \$150 billion to the U.S. economy annually and supports 1.2 million jobs nationwide. General aviation is one of the few remaining domestic manufacturing industries that provide a positive trade surplus for the United States.

We hope that you will be able to join us on September 17 and please share this invitation with other aviation enthusiasts. If you have any questions, please call us at 1-877-898-2612.

Pedal Plane Has a New Home in Kenai

The winning ticket for the pedal plane was drawn at the September 4 Board Meeting. New Board member Erika Bennett's 4-year-old daughter, Keena, drew the ticket bearing Pat Porter's name.



The weather was great on Sunday, September 9, allowing Herb and Melanie Hancock to deliver the plane to Kenai. Pat and her husband, Larry, were available to pick up the plane at the Kenai airport. Pat is the Mayor of Kenai. The plane will most likely be given to Pat's new great-grandson, who will make his entry into this world later this year.

Mentoring Opportunities

I would like to encourage 99s to consider mentoring a student in the schools or in girl scouts. Schools are always looking for volunteers to help with after school activities and we need to encourage girls to engage in Science, Technology, Engineering, Aviation and Math (Let's go full "STEAM" ahead!). Future women pilots need role models. Check out www.girlswithwings.com for some inspiration.

Angie Slingluff

FALL SAFETY SEMINAR ANNOUNCED

This year's Fall Safety Seminar, sponsored by the Alaskan Aviation Safety Foundation and the Anchorage FAASTeam, will be held on Saturday, October 13th at the UAA Aviation Technology Complex. Registration will begin at 0800 with the formal part of the program beginning at 0830. The UAA chapter of Alpha Eta Rho, the international co-ed professional aviation fraternity, will once again have lunch available for a donation. Door prizes will be drawn.

Among others, the program will include,:

Dr. David Swartz, FAA Aviation Safety, Senior Aerospace Engineer, Aircraft Certification Service, Small Airplane Directorate, and Al Wilson, FAA Aviation Safety, Test Pilot, Fixed and Rotor Wing, Aircraft Certification Service, Small Airplane Directorate. These two speakers will be presenting together on "Low Level Accidents – How to Avoid and How to Survive Them – Airbags and their installation in General Aviation Aircraft".

Also, Karl Westerlund, Major, AK ANG. Major Westerlund's presentation is titled, "The Search and Rescue Organization, what happens after the 121.5 ELT, 406 MHz ELT, PLB, SPOT, or Spidertracks is activated and why you need to know the difference."

Dr. Peter Olsson of UAA's Alaska Experimental (Weather) Forecast Facility (AEFF) on AEFF's mission and winter meteorological subjects.

Don Lee of Alaska Floats and Skis, former owner of one of the Talkeetna Part 135 charter operations. Don also appears regularly on Nat Geo's "Alaska Wing Men". Don would be speaking on the subject of ski and mountain flying.

A panel of maintenance technicians has always been popular and will be included this year as well with the participants discussing winter operations and taking questions from the audience.

Other speakers are also under consideration at this time.

The Aviation Complex will open at 0730 on the day of the event.

Hope to see you there!

Goose Bay Airport Repainted for Pilot Proficiency Practice Strip

Goose Bay Airport is ready to be used once again as a pilot proficiency practice strip. Thursday, September 6, Matt Freeman, Rich Sewell, and Linda Bustamante repainted the markings. They lucked out with the weather and it took about 2 hours and 5 gallons of paint to complete the project.



Goose Bay Re-painting
September 6, 2012

Rich Sewell
Matt Freeman
Linda Bustamante

